

REMARKS

In this response, claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 19 and 21 have been amended. Claims 18 and 20 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-17, 19, and 21-30 remain pending in the present application. Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is hereby requested.

Applicant has amended claim 16 to recite the limitations of claim 18 and cancelled claim 18. Similarly, Applicant has amended claim 19 to recite the limitations of claim 20 and cancelled claim 20.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 17, 19 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Kohut et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,327,182, in view of Bankston, U.S. Patent No. 3,668,810.

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for speaking with the Applicant during the telephone interview of September 16, 2004. As discussed during the interview, the Examiner agreed that the pending claims, as amended, are allowable over the prior art references of Kohut '182 and Bankston '810 as these references do not teach or suggest, among other things, the transmission of audio signals for two different soundtracks to two different screening rooms. Thus, Applicant earnestly

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requests the allowance of the pending claims at the earliest possible time.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the § 103 rejections are overcome. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that the § 103 rejections be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending patentably define the subject invention over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

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